

### **Election of Species**

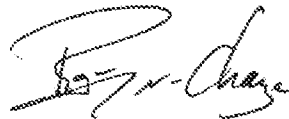
The Examiner further requires election of the species of Fig. 1b or Fig. 9a.

Applicant hereby elects for examination in the captioned application the species of Fig. 1b. The claims readable on the species are claims 26-39.

### **Conclusion**

From the foregoing, the issues raised by the Examiner have been addressed and have been fully responded to. The application is therefore ready for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,  
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger N. Chauza". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "C".

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